

Many Events Planned for PTA Group

Members of the 232nd Pl. PTA will meet today at 2 p.m. to hear Dr. Sellery, District Health Center speaker. On the business agenda will be a historian's report and presentation of the publicity book. Sixth grade mothers will be hostesses for the event. Tomorrow the officers will travel to Welch's of Long Beach for a luncheon. When the outgoing board members will meet new members. The retiring president is Mrs. Robert Ross. Plans for the two meetings were made last week at the home of president-elect Mrs. Fred Bassett, 183 W. 234th Pl., Wilmington. A party for the

Soroptimists Will Install

New officers of the Torrance Garden Soroptimist club will be installed at next Tuesday's meeting at 15516 South Western Ave. in Gardena.

Mrs. Edith Ennis, new president of the club, will assume her duties at the 8 p.m. gathering. Installing Mrs. Ennis and her assistants will be Edith Smith Carragher, charter president of the Harbor District Soroptimist group.

A safety club will be given on a date to be announced later, and arrangements were made for an A-6 picnic next week.

Joe Gardner, school recreation chairman, released the summer's schedule. The school will be open from 12:30 to 5:30 during the week for supervised play.



OLD TIMERS . . . Dale Riley, left, and A. J. McLavy put the beef to a pipe in the oil fields around Signal Hill in 1933, when Riley was an oil man. Riley worked in the oil game until 1936 when he started work for the City of Torrance.



STILES AND RILEY . . . Maxwell Stiles, left, sports writer for the Los Angeles Mirror, talks things over with Dale Riley, Torrance sports leader and maintenance director for the city Parks Department, who will retire June 15.

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PTA Prexy Hostess at Board Meet

Meeting for the first time last Thursday at the home of president Mrs. Francis Stoeckle, 2612 W. 175th St., was the executive board of the North Torrance Elementary PTA. The chairman of various committees appointed by the president were ratified at the session. Mrs. Stoeckle discussed the objects of the PTA and asked the executive board to keep these aims in mind during the coming year. It was unanimously agreed to support the project of the North Torrance Club for teen-agers, by offering the services of the board members as chaperones during the summer and to enlist the aid of other PTA groups in the project. A "get-acquainted" potluck dinner for the executive board members and their husbands was tentatively planned for July. The next regular meeting of the executive board will be held in October.

Lomita Church Schedules Meetings

The Church of Christ, at 2041 Pacific Coast Hwy., Lomita, has scheduled an evangelistic series to run from June 20 through June 30 inclusive, it was announced yesterday. Speaking at the 7:30 p.m. services each week will be Evangelist L. L. Stout. He will also speak at the 11 a.m. services on Sunday, June 20 and June 27.



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List Walteria PTA Chairmen

Ratification of new chairmen for the Walteria PTA highlighted the June meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Carl Cramer, 2430 Ward St. last Thursday. Working for the PTA will be Ames, Walter Wild, room representative; Glenn Karhu, publicity; Hector Herrera, ways and means; H. C. Wrigley, assistant ways and means; Cletus Nestor, paper drive; Dale Wands, budget and finance; Charles Jackson, hospitality; John Donati, assistant hospitality; W. T. Allen, health and dental; R. F. Maines, child welfare; Frank Trantman, assistant child welfare; Robert Waegner, recreation; and Evar Jansson, magazine and emblem. Plans were discussed for a benefit breakfast for the American Field Service in July. The board will hold its summer meeting at the school.

Dale Riley to End Long Career in City's Employ

The founder of the famous Torrance Semi-pro baseball tournament, Dale Riley, who has worked for Torrance since 1936 in the recreation field, will end his fabulous career June 15, when he will retire and move to Antelope Valley with his wife, Dorothy. Riley's wife will retire from her job as secretary to City Clerk A. H. Bartlett on June 30. On June 30, Mrs. Riley will end a career with the city which stretches back to 1936. She went to work for Torrance 15 days later than her husband after his retirement — to catch up. Both have served Torrance for 28 years. **Has Done Everything** Since 1924, when he first came to Torrance, Riley has done just about everything. He started in the oil fields when he first arrived and worked them until 1936, when he went to work for the city. He was employed as a Recreation Director until 1950, and since then has been Maintenance Director with the Parks Department. During his tenure in the Recreation field, Riley was instrumental in founding the Torrance Tournament, one of the best known semi-pro baseball tournaments in Southern California, which drew top teams to Torrance in 1939, '40, '41, '44, '45, '46, '47 and '48. **Famous Names Played** During these years local residents were treated to a caliber of baseball on a par with professional play at the old Torrance City Park. Diamond stars galore shone in Torrance play—athletes like the Pallas, Ewell Blackwell, the fabulous side-armer; Paul Pettit, the \$95,000 bonus baby; Dick Pedrotti, who got \$85,000 to sign into pro ball; Nick Buonarigo, Eddie Malone, the Hollywood Stars' backstop, and others. The tourney was sponsored by the American Legion. Riley plans to work on his new home in Antelope Valley for the next year but says "I may look for a job next spring." During the WPA days, Riley was employed as a city sponsor's representative and, during his long city career, has worked in practically all departments. He worked as a license inspector for a time, also was employed in the bus office.

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